# $m{414th}\, m{BSB}$ — Büdingen, Hanau



# Comings and goings

### Communities bustle with transitioning Soldiers

he 414th Base Support Battalion community has been a whirlwind of activity in anticipation of large numbers of Soldiers returning home from Iraq. Caserns have blossomed with colorful banners and yellow ribbons along with spring flowers.

Family Readiness Group members and USO volunteers have been hard at work during the past weeks making "welcome home" posters, decorating and stocking the single Soldiers' barracks, organizing their individual unit welcomehome ceremonies and waiting for that long-awaited moment when their loved ones would arrive.

The USO assembled hundreds of goodie bags to place in the single Soldiers' rooms as they return. The bags are filled with personal hygiene items, home-baked cookies, snacks and even videos donated by the PX.

Volunteers made up the beds, left freshly laundered towels and stocked the refrigerators with food and cases of soft drinks.

"We don't want the single Soldiers, those who have no family here to greet them, to feel left out. We don't think they should arrive to an empty room with an empty fridge," said LizLarsen, a 2-501st FRG member.

While anticipation was growing for the return of Hanau and Büdingen units, Soldiers of the 127th Military Police Company were preparing to take up arms in Iraq. A barbecue heralded a two-week leave period before their departure.

Soldiers of the 1-1st Cavarly advance party march on Büdingen's Armstrong Barracks on their way to a welcome home ceremony at dawn March 27.



Diane Doyle and son Matthew, age 5, stand for the national anthem while waiting for Chief Warrant Officer 3 Mark Doyle, a Blackhawk pilot with Company B, 2-501st Aviation

# Story and photos by Dennis Johnson





Leysha Negron, age 5, and her father, Sgt. Jorge Negron, of the 127th MP Company enjoy a farewell barbecue. Photo left: Wolfgang Dick of Rhein-Main TV interviews departing 127th MP Soldiers.



## Bulletin board

# At the movies April 13-29

#### Baumholder, Wagon Wheel

April 15 — My Baby's Daddy (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 16 — Spartan (R) 7 p.m.

**April 17** — Pokemon Heroes (G) 4 p.m. Spartan(R)7 p.m.

**April 18**—Powerpuff Girls (PG) 4 p.m. The Big Bounce (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 22 — Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 23** — Taking Lives (R) 7 p.m. The Passion Of The Christ (R) 10 p.m.

**April 24** — Rugrats Go Wild (G) 4 p.m. Taking Lives (R) 7 p.m. The Passion Of The Christ (R) 10 p.m.

April 25 — Looney Tune: Back In Action (PG)4p.m. You Got Served (PG-13)7p.m. The Passion Of The Christ (R) 10 p.m.

April 29 — Win A Date With Tad Hamilton (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Büdingen, Little

**April 24**—Big Fish (PG-13) 3 p.m.

#### Dexheim. Rhein

**April 16**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 17** — The Passion Of The Christ (R) 7 p.m.

**April 18**— Taking Lives (R) 3 p.m.

**April 23** — The Ladykillers (R) 7 p.m.

April 24 — Win A Date With Tad Hamilton (PG-13) 7 p.m. You Got Served (PG-13)9:30 p.m.

April 25 — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) 3 p.m.

### Friedberg, Old Ironsides

**April 15** — Cold Mountain (R) 7 p.m. **April 16-17** — Welcome To Mooseport (PG-13)7p.m.

**April 18**—My Baby's Daddy (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 22** — The Big Bounce (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 23-24** — Twisted (R) 7 p.m.

**April 25**—The Perfect Score (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 29**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

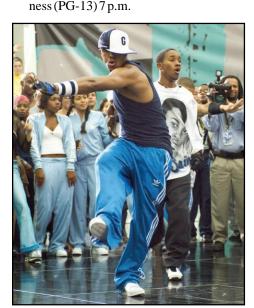
### Giessen, Skyline

**April 13-14**—50 First Dates (PG-13) 7 p.m. April 16 — My Baby's Daddy (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 17**—The Perfect Score (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 18**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 20-21** — Welcome To Mooseport

(PG-13)7p.m. April 23 — Barbershop 2: Back In Busi-



Elgin (Marques Houston) shows some fancy moves on the dance floor in "You Got Served."



Simon of Cyrene (Jarreth Merz) helps Jesus (Jim Caviezel) carry the cross in Mel Gibson's graphic depiction of the biblical story, "The Passion Of The Christ."

April 24 — You Got Served (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 25** — Disney's Teacher's Pet (PG) 2 p.m. House Of Sand And Fog (R) 7 p.m. **April 27-28** — Twisted (R) 7 p.m.

#### Hanau, Evening Star

**April 13**— The Butterfly Effect (R) 7 p.m.

**April 14**—Cold Mountain (R) 7 p.m.

**April 15**— The Butterfly Effect (R) 7 p.m. **April 16**— Home On The Range (PG) 7

p.m. The Perfect Score (PG-13) 9:30 p.m.

**April 17** — Home On The Range (PG) 7 p.m. Calendar Girls (PG-13) 9:30 p.m.

**April 18** — Home On The Range (PG) 4 p.m. The Big Bounce (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 19**—The Perfect Score (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 20**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 21** — The Big Bounce (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 22**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 23 — The Alamo (PG-13) 7 p.m. Win A

Date With Tad Hamilton (PG-13) 9:30 p.m. **April 24** — The Alamo (PG-13) 7 p.m.

Barbershop 2: Back In Business (PG-13) 9:30 p.m.

**April 25**—The Alamo (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 26**— You Got Served (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 27** — Barbershop 2: Back In Business (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 28** — Win A Date With Tad

Hamilton (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 29 — You Got Served (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Rhein Main, Gardens

**April 14** — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) 7 p.m.

**April 15**—The Ladykillers (R) 7 p.m. **April 16** — Spartan (R) 7 p.m.

April 17 — The Big Bounce (PG-13) 5 p.m.

Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7:30 p.m. **April 18**— The Perfect Score (PG-13) 7

**April 21** — Home On The Range (PG) 7 p.m. **April 23** — The Passion Of The Christ (R)

**April 24** — You Got Served (PG-13) 5 p.m.

Taking Lives (R) 7:30 p.m. **April 25** — Win A Date With Tad Hamilton (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 28 — The Alamo (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Wackernheim, McCully

**April 14** — Cold Mountain (R) 7 p.m.

**April 28** — The Passion Of The Christ (R)

#### Wiesbaden, Flyers

**April 15** — The Passion Of The Christ (R)

**April 16**— The Ladykillers (R) 7 p.m.

**April 17** — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters

Unleashed (PG) 7 p.m.

April 22 — Home On The Range (PG) 7 p.m. **April 23**—You Got Served (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 24 — Barbershop 2: Back In Business (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 29**— The Alamo (PG-13) 7 p.m.

### Wiesbaden, Taunus

April 13 — The Passion Of The Christ (R) 7 p.m.

April 14 — My Baby's Daddy (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**April 15** — Cold Mountain (R) 7 p.m.

April 16 — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) 7 p.m. The Perfect Score (PG-13) 9:30 p.m.

April 17 — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG-13) 4 p.m. The Ladykillers (R) 7 p.m. Calendar Girls

(PG-13)9:30p.m. **April 18** — Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) 4 p.m. The Ladykillers

(R)7 p.m. **April 19-20**— Taking Lives (R) 7 p.m.

**April 21**—Calendar Girls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

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April 27 — Barbershop 2: Back In Business (PG-13) 7 p.m.

April 28 — You Got Served (PG-13) 7 p.m. **April 29** — Cold Mountain (R) 7 p.m.

Movies and times subject to change by local theaters. For the most up-to-date schedule visit the ASG's website (see address below).

### **Movie plots**

The Passion Of The Christ (R) — The last 12 hours in the life of Jesus Christ are depicted in Mel Gibson's graphic film. Betrayed by Judas Iscariot, Jesus is arrested and taken into Jerusalem where he is confronted with accusations of blasphemy and ultimately condemned to die on the cross.

Calendar Girls (PG-13) — Chris (Helen Mirren) and Annie (Julie Walters) are best friends. Their peaceful lives are shattered when Annie's husband dies of leukemia. An active member of the local Women's Institute, Chris enlists the support of fellow members in a fund-raising initiative for the local hospital. Her idea is to produce a calendar, with a different woman photographed for each month engaged in a classic task — jam making, flower pressing and knitting — in the nude.

Home On The Range (PG) — A widow (Sarah Jessica Parker), her young daughter and various farm animals fight to save the family farm.

The Perfect Score (PG-13) — group of seven high school seniors, made up of two girls (Scarlett Johansson and Erika Christensen) and five boys, decide to break into the Princeton Testing Center to steal the answers to their upcoming SAT tests and all get perfect scores.

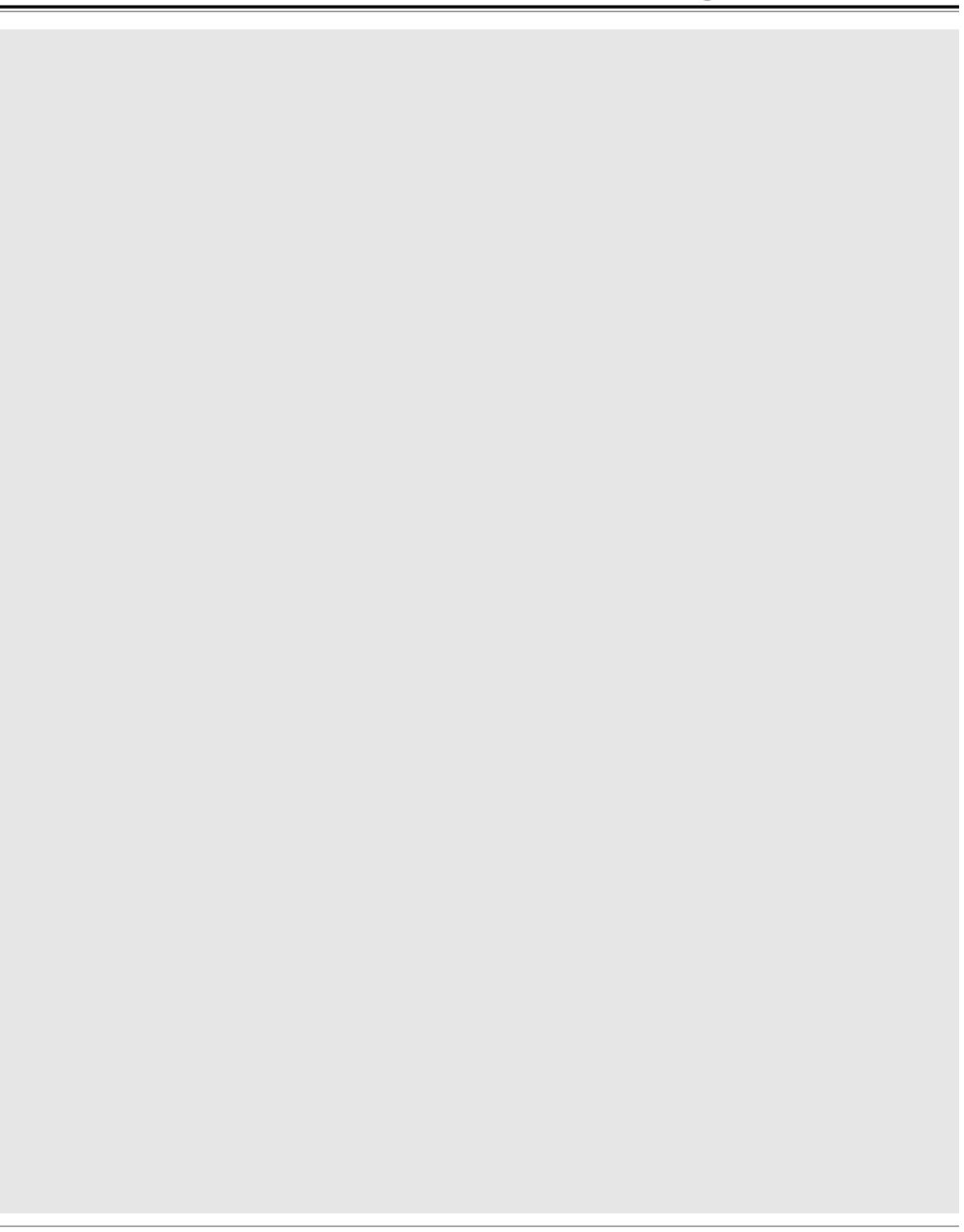
The Ladykillers (R) — Tom Hanks stars as Goldthwait Higginson Dorr III, a charlatan professor who has assembled a gang of "experts" for the heist of the century. It quickly becomes evident Dorr's thieves lack the mental capacity to do the job and have seriously underestimated their upstairs host—unsuspecting church lady Mrs. Munson (Irma P. Hall).

**Spartan**(**R**)—Robert Scott (Val Kilmer) is a career military officer working in a secret special operations force. When Scott is recruited to find Laura Newton (Kristen Bell), the daughter of a highranking government official, he stumbles upon a white slavery ring. As the story unfolds, the search-and-rescue mission becomes complicated by political machinations.

You Got Served (PG-13)—Elgin (Marques Houston, IMX) and David (Omarion, B2K) are best friends and leaders of the best dance crew in the area. When another group challenges them to a battle, David and Elgin — along with their buddies (Raz B, J Boog and Lil' Fizz of B2K) must create and perfect the most cutting moves to remain on top.

Welcome To Mooseport (PG-13)—Former President Monroe "Eagle" Cole (Gene Hackman) is looking forward to retiring to the sleepy town of Mooseport. When the town fathers ask him to fill a mayoral seat, Cole sees no reason not to accept. That is until Harold "Handy" Harrison (Ray Romano), the popular owner of a local hardware store, decides to run against him.

# Herald Union classifieds



## $Schools\ page-Partners\ in\ education$

## Giessen juniors work on redeployment CD

# 'Computer geeks' jazz up reintegration tool

By David Ruderman 104th Area Support Group Public Affairs Office

Matt Domko and Chris Lavan had a reputation for having the chops that count when it comes to computers. So when the 284th Base Support Battalion came looking for help with a CD project, the two Giessen Middle-High School juniors got the call.

"We got involved because we got in trouble for downloading games onto school computers," said Domko. "When they asked for students who knew a lot about computers, they came up with us. We're making a CD to send downrange to the leadership so they can look at it and tell their Soldiers what to expect when they get back — how do I get my car back, how do I get my household goods?"

"They're kind of bright kids and they're putting it on a CD in a way

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that it's not so dull. Plus, for younger Soldiers, they'll pay

more attention to it than if you just hand them a packet of SOPs [Standard Operating Procedures]," said Maj. Mikel Russell, 284th BSB S-2/ 3, whose office oversees the project.

"Basically they gave us a big folder of PowerPoint presentations," said Domko. "We're using HTML and a web navigator to make it easier for them to navigate through it. We've got it broken down step by step into what they're going to be doing day by day. Also one of the pages we're doing is going to be an index of all the files, and they can scroll down that way to find what they're looking for."

"It was very creative," said Lavan. "They just gave it to us and said, 'Do your magic."

Putting the CD together has been a partnership in which both young men, with the help of 10thgrader Curtis Roller, work separately on segments, and as a team to modify its development.

"We do our own things, come together and collaborate, put things together and separate again," said Lavan. "We tried to put in some humor and make them want to come back, because it's hard down there."

"We're just being sarcastic basically all the time," said Domko.

"When I'm up at three in the morning I don't have a

lot going through my mind. So when I turn it in to Chris or Curtis, they'll change it. When we hand it in to the BSB they'll probably change it again."

"We tried to make visuals that'll catch your eye," said Lavan. "We're basically straightforward. We get to the point. We know you hate all this paperwork, but here's what you've got to do."

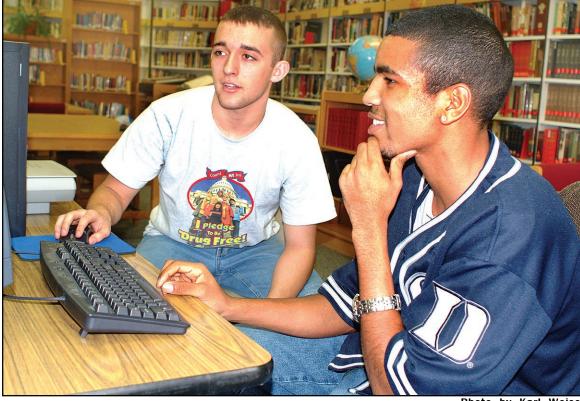


Photo by Karl Weisel

Giessen juniors Matt Domko (left) and Chris Lavan bounce ideas off each other in the school library.

Domko and Lavan share something else in common — their fathers are both downrange, serving in Iraq with the 2-3rd Field Artillery.

"A lot of them are anxious for their parents to come home," said assistant principal Walter Ullrich. "Their behaviors change, and we can see that. The seventh- and eighth-graders are more active, there's a little excitement there. The older students are talking about it, how their parents will be home."

"People seem to be adjusted. They handle it pretty well," said Lavan. "At the same time college is coming closer," which increases his anxiety level, he said. "I was looking at Yale and Rice University in Houston. If I don't get Yale I'd want to go back to Texas."

"I want to go to college at West Point and I'm planning on majoring in something with computers," said Domko. "I'm accelerating—soon as he gets back we're going to visit his family in the States."

In the meantime the CD project has kept them busy. Equipment problems with the school's computer hardware forced them to do a lot of the work at home on their own time, putting in somewhere between 30-40 hours, and delays have brought the project down to the wire, said Domko.

"It's really reinforced the hurry-up-and-wait theory of the Army. We're kind of in a crunch," he said. "When it gets completed it'll be a high point of the year, but now it's a stress point. It's been a learning experience because it's an out of school project. I've got to make a conscious effort to do it."

"It's kind of difficult to get to because of our schedules," said Lavan who plays goalie with the Giessen Griffin soccerteam, among his other commitments.

"It's a lot of fun doing it. It keeps you busy and keeps your head in the books," he said.

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formation. (DoDDS-Eu-



Photo by Mary Crawford

### The song heard 'round the world

Gelnhausen Elementary School students perform during a multicultural music program March 20. Students sang songs from a dozen countries to a packed house of 200.

### Preregistration begins

Preregistration for the

2004-2005 school year will begin April 16 for Department of Defense Dependents Schools across the 104th Area Support Group. Returning students will need to bring a copy of the sponsor's most recent orders. New students will also need to bring a passport or birth certificate and shot record. Staffing and budgets for the year ahead are determined in part by the number of students registering, so early registration is very important. To speed the process, paperwork may be completed online at www.registration.eu.odedodea.edu. Call your school for assistance. (DoDDS-Europe Release)

### **Future educators meet**

DoDDS-Europe Chapters of the Future Educators of America will meet April 14-16 to focus on starting and supporting local chapters to promote teaching as a professional choice among young people. Con-

### rope Release) Art at Wetzel

**School bits** 

Wetzel Elementary School will host a Spring Celebration of the Arts April 28 from 5-7 p.m. featuring student artwork and Young Authors published work. The Wetzel Drama Club will perform, and a talent show and poetry reading will round out the program. All are welcome to attend.

### Block leave and accelerated withdrawal

Department of Defense Dependents Schools will consider requests for early departure from school for families taking block leave in conjuction with redeployment. Principals may grant excused absences from school to support families planning block leave trips. Early withdrawal or extended absence must be requested in writing, and students must complete all schoolwork in accordance with accelerated withdrawal policy. (DoDDS Release)

# Sports and leisure

### **Sports shorts**

### All-Europe players

Several 104th Area Support Group youths were among athletes named as members of the 2004 Department of Defense Dependents Schools-Europe All-Europe basketball teams. Hanau's  $Courtney \, Smith \, \text{and} \, Katisha \, Fountleroy$ made the girl's first team while Baumholder's Tish Schelhas and Hanau's Tiffany Loyal were selected for the All-Europe second team. For the boys it was Hanau's Marcus Fontanez making the first team. Giessen's Timothy Battle and Hanau's Dave Hendrix were honored on the second team. DoDDS-E All-Europe athletes were selected by a team of coaches from throughout Europe.

#### Wiesbaden bike race

Wiesbaden's Rheinblick Golf Course will play host to the U.S. Forces Europe Mountain Bike Championship Series April 17. Entry is \$20. Registration is at 9 a.m. with the race starting at 10 a.m. Call mil 337-5760 for more information.

#### Softball coaches

Community level softball players, coaches, officials and scorekeepers are sought for the upcoming season in Baumholder. Call Tony Ramsey at mil 485-6671 or 7176.

### Top bantam cheerleaders

The top two 104th Area Support Group bantam cheerleading teams were reversed in a story in the last edition of the *Herald Union*. The Butzbach team took first place while the Giessen squad was second. Apologies to the coaches and cheerlead-

### Schiffenberg Run

Giessen's Schiffenberg Castle will be the site of the next 284th Base Support Battalion fivekilometer run and three-kilometer family fun walk April 25 at 11 a.m. Cost is \$15 including a commemorative T-shirt or \$10 without. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. Call mil 343-7201 for details.

### **Galaxy beat Admirals**

The Frankfurt Galaxy opened their 2004 season April 3 with a 34-11 victory over the Amsterdam Admirals at Frankfurt's Waldstadion. The men in purple rushed for 212 yards on 44 carries with three touchdowns. Galaxy's defense held Amsterdam to just 36 yards rushing. The Frankfurt National Football League-Europe team's next home game is April 17 versus the Rhein Fire who beat the Cologne Centurions 26-25 April 4. On May 1 Galaxy play at home against the Cologne Centurions, May 16 versus the Scottish Claymores and May 22 against the Berlin Thunder. Call the Galaxy hotline at civ (0180) 526 6216 for tickets.

### Softball tourney

The 284th Base Support Battalion Unit-Level Softball Tournament will be held April 20-23. Entrance is free for unit-level teams. Register at any 284th BSB fitness center.

By Donald Seltzer Special to the Herald Union

### Weekend of April 17-18

**Tetphen-Deuz**—This event is east of Siegen and within reach of Giessen's wanderers. From Giessen use Autobahn A-45 toward Siegen and exit at Wilnsdorf. Follow IVV

woods Award: Coffee mug



**bershausen** — This event is west of Giessen and Wetzlar in the pretty Westerwald region. Follow B-49 in the direction of Limburg to the Löhnberg turn off. Head north on an unnumbered road through Niedershausen to the start.

Start: Dorfgemeinschaftshaus Saturday: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) Sunday: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6, 10 and 20 km) Trail: Hilly, woods Award: From previous events.

**Taldböckelheim** — Former Bad Kreuznach residents may want to join this event in their "old neighborhood." From Wiesbaden/Mainz take Autobahns 60 and 61 toward Bad Kreuznach, then connect with B-41 toward Kirn and the start at Waldböckelheim. From Idar-Oberstein use B-41 toward Bad Kreuznach.

Start: Bürgerhaus Saturday and Sunday: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) Trail: Somewhat hilly, fields and woods Award: From previous events.

### Weekend of April 24-25

**Dockenau** — This event is due west of Bad Kreuznach on the year-round, permanent Hunsrück trail system. Take B-41 toward Kirn to pick up an unnumbered road at Waldböckelheim to head northwest to Bockenau. From Idar-Oberstein take B-41 toward Bad Kreuznach to connect with the unnumbered road at Waldböckelheim.

Start: Bockenauer-Schweiz-Halle Saturday: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (20 km) Sunday: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) Trail: Fairly hilly, woods Award: Model truck with beer can payload.

### Take a hike

attenhof—Volksmarchers will find picturesque walking and cycling trails both days. From Fulda use B-27 south to Rothemann and an unnumbered road leading to Hattenhof. From Hanau and points west take the Fulda-Süd exit of Autobahn 7 to head toward Rothemann and Hattenhof.

Start: Fest tent Saturday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 11 a.m. 4 p.m. (20 km, plus 25 km cycling) Sunday: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km, plus 25 km cycling) Trails: Fairly hilly, woods and fields Award: Model truck

**W**iesbaden-Kohlheck — ♥ Polizeisportverein Grün-Weiß Wiesbaden plays host to this walking and swimming event on the Polizei Kaserne. The visit is always interesting for children, and Americans are welcomed. Swimmers will enjoy a great pool. Use Autobahns 3 and 66 to reach Wiesbaden's Schiersteiner Kreuz. Take A-643/Schiersteiner Straße to the 2. Ring, turn left on Dotzheimer Straße and cross the railroad tracks. Turn right on Schönberg  $Stra{\it Be}\, and\, follow\, on\, to\, the\, suburb\, of\, Kohlheck$ and the police school.

Start: Hessische Polizeischule Saturday and Sunday: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (6 and 10 km), 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (swim) Trail: Somewhat hilly, neighborhoods and woods Award: Small trophy (walk) or certifi-

#### Weekend of April 30 to May 2

Hahnenbach-Kudynsham day-only event is but the second Tahnenbach-Rudolfshaus — This Sun volksmarch offered by the club. You'll find Hahnenbach northeast of Idar-Oberstein and due west of Bad Kreuznach. From Idar-Oberstein take B-41 in the direction of Bad Kreuznach to connect with unnumbered roads to Kirn and then to Hahnenbach. From points east head to Bad Kreuznach and connect with B-41 to Kirn, then an unnumbered road to Hahnenbach.

Start: Birkenmühlehalle in Rudolfshaus bei Hahnenbach Sunday: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (20 km) Trail: Hilly, woods Award: None.

angenaubach — This event is southwest of Dillenburg and an end-of-week possibility for readers in Giessen. Take Autobahn 45 to the Dillenburg exit, follow B-277 to Haiger and head south on an unnumbered road to Langenaubach.

Start: Dorfgemeinschaftshaus Friday: 2-6 p.m. (6 and 10 km) Saturday: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6 and 10 km) and 7 a.m. to noon (20 km) Trail: Fairly hilly, woods Award: From previous

Tainz-Gonsenheim — This end-of-theweek event's late start times will permit Wiesbaden readers to enjoy the local scenery. Take the Mainz-Gonsenheim exit on either Autobahn 60 or 643 and follow IVV directional signs to the start.

Start: Karl-Geib-Haus at Kapellenstraße 44 Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (5 km) and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (10 km) Trail: Fairly flat, strollerfriendly; woods and fields Award: From pre-

einsfeld — This walk is west of the 104th ASG footprint but within reach of Neubrücke's readers. From Neubrücke Housing follow Autobahns 62 and 1 toward Trier, exiting at Reinsfeld. From Idar-Oberstein use B-422 and an unnumbered road that cuts over to B-327, then head for the start in Reinsfeld. Start: Kulturhalle Saturday: 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (5 and 10 km) and 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (20 km) Sunday: 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (5, 10 and 20 km) Trail: Fairly hilly, woods Award: None.

in Mainz and Wiesbaden can enjoy **7iesbaden-Gräselberg** — Wanderers another local event in this edition. From Schiersteiner Kreuz (Autobahns 66 and 643) drive north toward Wiesbaden, exit at Wiesbaden-Dotzheim and turn right (east) onto Erich-Ollenhauer-Straße. Watch for IVV directional signs leading to the start on Wörthersee Straße.



Questions? volksmarch@hotmail.com.

### Things to do ... Things to do ... Things to do

### AFRC reservations online

Service members can now use the new online reservation system to make reservations for their next Armed Forces Recreation Center vacation in Garmisch-Partenkirchen or to stay at the new Edelweiss Lodge and Resort opening Sept. 15. Visit www.afrceurope.com to plan your trip, check room availability and to receive a reservation confirmation within seconds. Users may also return to the site to review their plans and make changes if necessary. People without Internet access may still call the AFRC Vacation Planning Center at mil 440-2575 or civ (08821) 72981 for more information and to make reservations. (AFRC-Europe Release)

### **Concert highlights**

Frankfurt's Alte Oper presents the Freiburg Baroque Orchestra playing Bach's Brandenburg Concerto April 21, Norah Jones

April 30 and Cassandra Wilson May 13. Call civ (069) 1340 400 for tickets. Wiesbaden's Community Activity Center will feature a free concert by New York rockers Wooden April 17 at 8 p.m. Call mil 336-2473 for details. Melissa Etheridge will present her "Get Lucky Tonight" tour at the Frankfurt-Höchst Jahrhunderthalle July 18. Call civ (069) 944 3660 for tickets

### Fun with the USO

Local USO offices offer the following trips and activities in the coming weeks: Rhein River Cruise April 25; Keukenhof Gardens and Amsterdam April 17; Vineyard Trail and Wine-Tasting on the Mosel River April 16; Cologne by Train April 17; Poland Shopping Extravaganza April 23-25; Berlin—a City of World History April 22-25; Warner Brothers Movie World April 24; Evelin's Wellness Paradise April 24. Stop by USO offices on

Hanau's Pioneer Kaserne (Building4), Büdingen's Armstrong Barracks (Building 2207), Rhein-Main Airbase or Wiesbaden (Hainerberg Shopping Center or Building 1023W on Wiesbaden Army Airfield) for more information.

### 'Another Antigone'

Giessen's Keller Theater presents the drama "Another Antigone" April 15-17 at 7:30 p.m. Call mil 343-6515 for reservations.

### **Hanau Book Club**

Join other book fans during a meeting of the Hanau

Book Club April 21 at 6 p.m. at the Wolfgang Shopping Center Bookmark. The group meets every third Wednesday of the month. Upcoming selections to be discussed include "Sex, Time and Power" April 21 and "Deception Point" May 19. Call Capt. Hartigan at mil 322-1450 for more information about the club.

